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Enclosed herewith is an Amendment and Response with Exhibits A, B and C for P. A. Billing-Medel, *et al.*, for REAGENTS AND METHODS USEFUL FOR DETECTING DISEASES OF THE URINARY TRACT, the specification of which was filed on May 15, 1998, and received Serial No. 09/079,874.

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